

KIDWELLY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Public Health Department,  
Borough Offices,  
KIDWELLY.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR

1971

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Kidwelly.

I beg to submit my Report for the year 1971 on the health administration of the Borough. The Report also incorporates that of the Public Health Inspector.

In doing so, I would like to thank the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors and Officials for their assistance and kindness during the year.

E. H. Beynon Hopkins,  
Medical Officer of Health.



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BOROUGH OF KIDWELLY.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1971.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH.

Your district covers an area of.....2854 acres.  
Population (mid-year) 1971 Estimated by Registrar General.....3130  
Density per acre.....1.1  
Number of inhabited dwellings at April 1971.....1106  
Sum represented by New Penny Rate on R.V.....£561  
Rateable Value at April 1971.....£59,646  
Unemployment - The average number of unemployed for the year was 93 weekly  
(75 males - 18 females) out of an insured population of 1679 (1016 males -  
663 females). This is equivalent to 5.5% of the insured population. These  
figures are applicable for Kidwelly and include Trimsaran, Llansaint,  
Ferryside and Llandefeilog - the areas administered by the Kidwelly Employment  
Exchange of the Department of Employment and Productivity.

VITAL STATISTICS:

DEATHS:

Males - 20	Females - 24	TOTAL - 44
Rates per 1,000 home population -	Crude Rate - 14.06	Adjusted Rate - 15.60

DEATHS 65 and over:

Males - 11	Females - 17	TOTAL - 28
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LIVE BIRTHS:

Males - 34	Females - 21	TOTAL - 55
Rates per 1,000 home population -	Crude Rate - 17.57	Adjusted Rate - 19.68

ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS:

Males - 2	Females - 1	TOTAL - 3
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Illegitimate Live Births per cent of Total Live Births	-	5.46
Illegitimacy rate per 1,000 Total Live Births	-	54.55

STILL BIRTHS:

Males - Nil	Females - Nil	TOTAL - Nil
Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births	-	Nil

ILLEGITIMATE STILL BIRTHS:

Males - Nil	Females - Nil	TOTAL - Nil
Illegitimate Still Births per cent of Total Still Births	-	Nil
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS		55

INFANT DEATHS:(deaths under 1 year)

Males - 2	Females - 1	TOTAL - 3
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ILLEGITIMATE INFANT DEATHS (deaths under 1 year)

Males - Nil	Females - Nil	TOTAL - Nil
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INFANT MORTALITY RATES:

Total Infant Deaths per 1,000 Total Live Births.....	54.55
Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births.....	57.69
Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births.....	Nil

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NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (deaths under 4 weeks):

Males	-	2	Females	-	Nil	TOTAL	-	2
Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births								36.36

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (deaths under 1 week):

Males	-	1	Females	-	Nil	TOTAL	-	1
Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births								18.18

PERINATAL MORTALITY (Still Births and Deaths of Infants under 1 week):

Males	-	1	Females	-	Nil	TOTAL	-	1
Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births								18.18

MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion):

Number of deaths								Nil
Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Still Births								Nil

RATES PER 1,000 OF ESTIMATED POPULATION:

	<u>Crude Rate</u>	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>Rate for England and Wales</u>
Live Births	17.57	19.68 (a)	16.0
Deaths	14.06	15.60 (b)	11.6
Rate of Still Births per 1,000 Live and Still Births	Nil		12.0
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births	54.55 (c)		18.0

CORRESPONDING RATES FOR KIDWELLY (previous years):

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
(a)	14.99	16.46	22.40	16.37	19.68
(b)	14.69	15.63	16.26	16.49	15.60
(c)	26.30	Nil	33.89	68.18	54.55

Year	Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Total Births	Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Still Birth Rate per 1,000 Births	Neo-Natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 related Live Births	Illegitimacy Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births
1971	Nil	54.55	Nil	36.36	54.55
England and Wales	0.17	18.0	12.0	12.0	84.0

CAUSES OF DEATH IN KIDWELLY BOROUGH IN 1971:

(Registrar-General's Statistics)

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
B6 (1) Late effects of Respiratory Tuberculosis.....	1	-	1
B19(1) Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity, etc. ....	-	1	1
B19(6) Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus .....	1	-	1
B19(8) Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus .....	-	1	1
B19(11) Other Malignant Neoplasms .....	1	-	1
B21 Diabetes Mellitus .....	-	1	1
B24 Meningitis .....	1	-	1
B28 Ischaemic Heart Disease .....	7	6	13
B30 Cerebrovascular Disease .....	6	8	14
B46(6) Other Diseases of Circulatory System .....	1	1	2
B33(1) Bronchitis and Emphysema .....	1	1	2
B37 Cirrhosis of Liver .....	-	1	1
B46(8) Other Diseases of Digestive System .....	-	1	1
B38 Nephritis and Nephrosis .....	-	1	1
B42 Congenital Anomalies .....	-	1	1
B44 Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality .....	1	-	1
BE48 All other Accidents .....	-	1	1
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	<u>20</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>44</u>



# CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS

	<u>Duration of Life</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
Prematurity	1 day	Male	Hospital
E.Coli.Meningitis. Duplication			
Cyst of Bowel and Multiple			
Spinal deformities	26 days	Male	Hospital
Broncho pneumonia following operation for patent ductus arteriosus.	11 months	Female	Hospital

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following Notifications were received:-

Measles	-	Males	-	3	Females	-	2
Dysentery	-	"	-	22	"	-	28

Examinations of stools of patients and contacts did not result in cases being confirmed as Shigella or Sonnei Dysentery.

## FOOD POISONING.

No cases were notified. One case was ascertained as the result of investigations of a case originally notified as Dysentery in August. The infecting organism was Salmonella panama. The patient was a female of 80 years of age. Symptoms were vomiting and diarrhoea followed by abdominal pain.

Investigation failed to indicate that any particular food could be suspected and the source of the infection was not ascertained. No further cases were notified or otherwise ascertained which could have led to further investigation.

Observation of the one case was continued and examination of stools obtained, since the first Laboratory report, were negative.

TUBERCULOSIS.            Males       -       1            Females       -       Nil

## CARMARTHENSHIRE STATISTICS FOR VACCINATIONS - 1971

### B.C.G. Vaccination (Whole County)

	<u>Contact scheme</u>	<u>School Children</u>
Number skin tested	126	1902
Number found negative	115	1693
Number vaccinated	112	1674

### Polionyelitis Vaccination (Whole County)

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Primary</u>
Children Born 1971	785
"       "       1970	519
"       "       1969	88
"       "       1968	43
Children and your persons born in years 1964-1967	54
Others under 16 years	16
TOTAL	1,505
Number of persons given Booster Vaccination	859

### Measles Vaccination (Whole County)

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Number Vaccinated</u>
Children born 1971	-
"       "       1970	98
"       "       1969	86
"       "       1968	30
"       "       1964-1967	38
Others under 16 years	23
TOTAL	275
Number of persons given Booster Vaccination	Nil

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# IMMUNISATION (STATISTICS - WHOLE COUNTY) 1971

## Primary

	Born 1971	Born 1970	Born 1969	Born 1968	Born 1964-67	Others to 16 yrs.	BOOSTERS
Triple Antigen (Diphtheria/Pertussis/ Tetanus)	829	581	80	32	31	11	838
Diphtheria/Tetanus	5	32	1	4	5	4	605
Tetanus	1	1	-	-	19	110	152
Mubella	-	-	-	-	-	869	-

Experience in Wales and elsewhere continues to show the value of maintaining a high level of immunisation in the population against certain diseases. In particular against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Poliomyelitis, Measles and Tetanus.

It must be emphasised that where these diseases have been absent for many years, the prevention of a possible serious epidemic depends upon the percentage of susceptible persons in the population who have been immunised or vaccinated against these diseases.

Vaccination against Smallpox need no longer be recommended as a routine procedure in early childhood. Vaccination continues to be recommended for travellers to and from countries where smallpox is endemic or where eradication programmes are in progress and for health service staff who may come into contact with patients.

## BRUCELLA ABORTUS.

A Notice under the provisions of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959, (Regulation 20) served in May 1968 remained in force although milk production, and all other farming activities, at the farm were discontinued.

## MASS RADIOGRAPHY

Mobile Units of the Welsh Hospital Board discontinued to operate with effect from 31st March, 1970. In their place the mass radiography service was integrated into the ordinary hospital radiology services. Facilities for chest X Rays are available to the public at West Wales General Hospital, Carmarthen, Llanelli General Hospital and Singleton Hospital, Swansea. These hospitals also provide General Practitioners with open access to their radiology departments for chest X Ray examinations at all times. In addition General Practitioners can refer their patients to any chest clinic for consultant opinion.

## NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

A Blood Transfusion session was held in the Borough at the British Americal Optical Factory on the 2nd April, 1971, at which employees and general public could donate blood. Sessions for the general public were held at the neighbouring Town of Llanelli. Most people can donate blood to The Blood Bank, and the amount of blood taken is quickly restored from the body's reserve which is replaced in a matter of days. With the continued increasing need for blood, I appeal that in the future, more people will donate blood for this most worthy and needy cause.

## NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

Close collaboration is maintained with the Local Inspectors of the above Society and mutual action to mitigate distress is taken whenever necessary. The area is at present served by the N.S.P.C.C. Inspectors from Carmarthen or Swansea.

## MENTAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948 - SECTION 47 (as amended 1951)

This section provides for the removal to suitable premises, of persons in need of care and attention. No formal action under this section has been necessary for a number of years, persuasive action having been sufficient to achieve the desired ends. The availability of the powers does aid persuasion in certain cases.

## GENERAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Infant Welfare	Capel Sul Vestry	Alternate Tuesdays.	2.00 to 4.00 p.m.
Ante-Natal and Post Natal Clinics	" " "	Fridays	9.30a.m. to 12.00 noon
Chest Clinic	Bay View	Mondays	9.00a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
	Capel Road	Tuesdays	9.00a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
	Llanelli	Wednesdays	
		(by appointment only)	9.00a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
		Thursdays	9.00a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
		Fridays	9.00a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
		Gen.Pracs.Referrals	
		(X Ray only)Tuesdays	2.00p.m. to 4.00 p.m.



GENERAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES (Continued)

Veneral Disease Clinics	West Wales General Hospital Glangwili Carmarthen	Males and Females First Friday each month	2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
		Third Friday each month	2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
	Mount Pleasant Hospital Swansea	Males Mondays	9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon
		Tuesdays	2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
		Wednesdays	5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
		Females Tuesdays	9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon
		Thursdays	3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Psychiatric Outpatients Clinic	Llanelli General Hospital	Every other Wednesday	2.00 p.m.
Deaf Aid (Repairs) Clinic	Llanelli General Hospital	Thursdays	9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Physiotherapy Clinic	Bryntirion Hosp. Swansea Rd. Llanelli	Monday to Friday Saturdays	9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon
Immunisation (& Vaccination if required)	Brynmair Clinic Goring Road, Llanelli	Fridays	10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
Family Planning	Llanelli Gen. Hospital	Every Tuesday except first Tues. of each month	5.30 p.m. onwards
Cervical Cytology	Llanelli Gen. Hosp. (Family Planning Assoc.)	Every Tuesday except 1st Tues. of each month)	5.30 p.m. onwards
	Brynmair Clinic Goring Rd. Llanelli	Wednesdays	2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

LABORATORY FACILITIES:

Specimens and samples are sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Glangwili Hospital, Carmarthen and to the Public Analyst, Carmarthen.

DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOOD:

National Welfare Foods were available at the Infant and Post-Natal Clinic Sessions at Capel Sul Vestry.

HOME NURSING EQUIPMENT:

Sick room and nursing articles and equipment for patients at home can be obtained from the County Medical Officer of Health under arrangements made by the County Council. A monthly charge, based on the cost of the item is normally payable. Cases of hardship receive special consideration.

Patients are charged according to the family circumstances and the cost of the article. Equipment provided under the County Council arrangements include:- air-beds, air-rings, bed cradles, bed-pans, back-rests, crutches, urinals, waterproof sheets, etc.

Requests with regard to the provision of equipment should be submitted to the County Medical Officer of Health.

HOME HELP SERVICE:

The Home Help Service is organised by the Carmarthenshire County Council. The Home Helps are provided during the laying-in period in maternity cases where the patient has no relative available to undertake the domestic duties of the home, and also in certain cases of sickness or need. For those in receipt of Social Security benefit domestic help can be arranged when needed through the Department of Health and Social Security. The Health Department collaborates closely with the Officials responsible for the services enumerated above. The area Organiser is available for interviews and information at 6, John Street, Llanelli on Mondays between 2.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.







#### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE:

The County Council provides the service for the care and after-care of people suffering from mental illness or sub-normality and whole time Social Workers are employed for mental welfare work.

#### MENTAL SUBNORMALS:

The Carmarthenshire County Council is responsible for the ascertainment, supervision and general welfare of mental defectives. Supervisory home visits are made by Social Workers and a Home Teacher is also employed for the Home Teaching of mental defectives.

There is a Junior Training Centre for Mentally Handicapped Children at Heol Goffa, Llanelli, with teaching facilities for 75 children, and residential quarters for 12 children. A new adult training centre is also sited at Heol Goffa, Llanelli.

Facilities are also available for short-term care of cases during holidays or illness of the guardians.

#### CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU:

A bureau is established at 4, John Street, Llanelli - Office hours - Monday to Friday inclusive are:- 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. (Telephone Number - Llanelli 5626).

There is also an Office of the Carmarthenshire Community Council at 16A Guildhall Square, Carmarthen, which is open to the Public 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Monday to Friday. At the same premises, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. the services of Voluntary Advisors are available as a Citizen's Advice Bureau.

#### REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS:

The Registrar is available at the Borough Offices from 12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month.

#### POST MORTEMS:

Post Mortems are performed at the Llanelli General Hospital. The Council's Mortuary was therefore not used during the year.

#### VAPOUR GAS DISINFECTOR:

This is situated at Llanelli and is used under a scheme operated in conjunction with Llanelli Borough, Llanelli Rural District and Burry Port Urban District Councils.

#### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA:

##### WATER:

Most of the Town area of Kidwelly is supplied with filtered and chlorinated water from Llanelli by the Llanelli and District Water Board.

The former supplies for the Town shown below are still in use to the extent indicated.

The supplies are obtained from wells in different parts of the district and from deep seated springs tapped and delivered by cast iron mains. They consist of hard-waters which have a high degree of natural purity and are not plumbo-solvent. All the supplies are chlorinated and chlorination tests are made daily.

##### CAPEL SUL SUPPLY:

This yields a minimum supply during extended drought period of about 12,000 gallons per day and now only supplies Ferry Road and Water Street areas.

##### MILLANDS SUPPLY:

During the summer months this supply augmented the Capel Sul Supply.

##### CAE CERN SUPPLY:

This supply gives a minimum flow of 15,000 gallons per day. A gauging chamber is provided to record the overflow from the collecting chamber which has shown a constant flow of 10,000 gallons daily. This supplies most of Mynyddygarreg area.



#### MAESGWENLLIAN SUPPLY:

This is from deep seated springs, tapped in a disused silver mine audit level and gives a minimum supply of approximately 36,000 gallons in 24 hours. There is a storage tank for 10,000 gallons. This source is used to supply a few properties only, north of Felindre.

#### CARMAARTHEN RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL SUPPLIES:

These serve part of Mynyddgarreg and Kingswood area.

Water Supply Schemes completed by the Water Board at Kidwelly during the year were:-

- Electrification of pumping plant.
- Descaling of 3" and 4" mains.

Schemes under construction in Kidwelly were:-

- New half-million gallon Service Reservoir.
- New Service Reservoir and Pumping Station at Mynyddgarreg.

There were no schemes awaiting approval of the Welsh Office at 31st December, 1971.

Samples taken during the year from the various supplies for bacteriological examination were satisfactory. These samples were taken in addition to the samples of raw water from the above supplies taken by the Llanelli and District Water Board for examination and analysis.

Average daily consumption in the Board's area:-

- |    |          |   |                           |
|----|----------|---|---------------------------|
| a. | Domestic | - | 5,854,640 gallons per day |
| b. | Trade    | - | 4,605,480 gallons per day |

Total number of dwellings in the Board's area supplied with water 26,000

Estimated population supplied with water 78,410

Average daily consumption per head for domestic purposes during 1971 - 74.7 gallons

#### Number of gallons pumped during 1971

- |    |                            |   |             |
|----|----------------------------|---|-------------|
| a. | From Gwendraeth Fach River | - | 151,360,000 |
| b. | From River Towy            | - | 532,620,000 |

#### Number of days pumping:-

- |    |                         |   |     |
|----|-------------------------|---|-----|
| a. | Penbrey Pumping Station | - | 89  |
| b. | Towy Pumping Station    | - | 147 |

#### Total rainfall during 1971:-

- |                                   |   |              |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------|
| Cwm Lliedi Reservoir              | - | 48.42 inches |
| Number of days on which rain fell | - | 202          |
| Maximum fall                      | - | 2.28 inches  |
| Date                              | - | 19th June    |

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REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR  
H.V. THOMAS, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H.

GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (INSPECTIONS, ETC.) OF THE AREA

Number of Public Health complaints or enquiries received .....	125
Number of persons including property owners interviewed .....	652
Investigations in connection with applications for Council dwellings ...	40
Houses inspected under the provisions of the Public Health or	
Housing Acts .....	25
Council dwellings inspections .....	39
Water Supplies .....	2
Abatement of Nuisances (General) .....	4
Refuse Collection and Disposal .....	9
Drainage and Sewage Disposal .....	5
Water Courses .....	3
Animals .....	1
Dirty conditions .....	2
Accumulations and Deposits .....	8
Moveable dwellings (other than licensed sites) .....	37
Repairs to water services .....	174
Drain blockages cleared .....	46
Drains tested or otherwise examined .....	Nil
Dust and effluvia nuisance and smoke nuisance (Inspections	
and observations) .....	Nil
Miscellaneous .....	115
Investigations of Rodent Infestations following report by	
Rodent Operator or other information received .....	Nil
Verminous premises .....	1
Disinfestation at verminous premises .....	1
Noise nuisance .....	1
Improvement Grants .....	2
Flooding .....	20
Smells nuisance .....	2
Weeds .....	1

INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL:

Investigations and other visits made .....	110
Disinfection of premises following infectious disease .....	Nil

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTIONS 92 and 93 (Nuisances)

Number of informal notices served in respect of nuisances .....	Nil
Number of informal notices complied with .....	Nil
Number of Abatement Notices served .....	Nil
Number of Abatement notices complied with .....	Nil

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960.

No action was necessary under the provisions of this Act. The Council is a member of the Noise Abatement Society.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.

There are no such baths in the Borough, but a considerable amount of sea bathing is enjoyed by inhabitants during the summer months.

SCHOOLS.

The four schools in the Borough are for infant and primary children and includes a Welsh School started in September 1968, in a prefabricated timber building erected for the purpose.

Periodic inspections are carried out at the Schools and the School kitchen by the County Public Health Inspectorate.

A Play Centre (Cylch Chware) is held on Wednesday mornings at Morfa Welsh Presbyterian Church Vestry. The centre is run by volunteers for children between the ages of 2 and 4 years.

CAMPING SITES

There are no Camping Sites in the Borough.



### SEWERAGE:

Most of the Town is sewered to a sewage treatment plant which provides sedimentation, drying beds and effluent discharge to the Gwendraeth Fach River Estuary.

In November a report was submitted by the Council's Consulting Civil Engineers for updating Sewerage of the Town and for sewage treatment. The scheme was accepted for implementation.

### CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956 - SMOKE ABATEMENT:

No Industrial smoke nuisance occurred within the Borough during 1971.

### PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:

There are two public conveniences in the centre of the Town which are cleaned and disinfected daily. The one in Station Road provides for Ladies and Gentlemen and the one on the Bridge is a stall urinal.

### REFUSE COLLECTION:

House refuse is collected weekly from all houses in the Borough by motor lorry and is tipped on the Morfa Mawr Embankment and Coleman Tip. A Bantan Karrier vehicle with a covered top was replaced in August by a rear loading vehicle with hydraulic press. Refuse receptacles are provided by householders and business people themselves.

### FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

The prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961, is attached as an Annex at the end of this report.

### SHOPS ACT, 1950:

No action was deemed necessary in respect of hours of working of shop workers.

### OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963:

15 premises, where the Local Authority enforces the Act, were registered at the end of the year.

Offices	.....	5 (18 persons employed)
Retail Shops	.....	9 (23 persons employed)
Wholesale Shops and Warehouses	.....	1 ( 1 person employed)

### CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960:

There are two licensed residential sites in use in the Borough each with one Caravan stationed on the site.

2 Notices were served and complied with in respect of itinerant caravan dwellers.

### HOUSING:

#### DEFECTIVE DWELLINGS:

Number of defective dwelling houses repaired in consequence of informal or formal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ..... 9

#### RENT ACT, 1957:

Number of Certificates of Disrepair applied for ..... Nil

#### HOUSING ACT, 1957, SECTIONS 9 and 10:

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which informal Notices were served, requiring repairs, and complied with ..... Nil

Number of dwellings which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-

- a. By Owners ..... Nil
- b. By Local Authority in default of Owners ..... Nil

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## HOUSING ACT 1957. SECTION 17 (1).

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made .....	1
Number of Demolition Orders complied with .....	1
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Undertakings to repair accepted .....	1
Number of such Undertakings complied with .....	1
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made .....	Nil
Number of Closing Orders complied with .....	Nil

## IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

13 Grants were paid during the year as follows:-

Discretionary Grants	-	5	£1,736
Standard Grants	-	8	£2,255

## HOUSING ACT, 1969

Number of Qualification Certificates applied for .....	Nil
" " " " issued .....	Nil

## HOUSING PROGRAMME OF THE COUNCIL.

Pre-War	-	Hillfield Villas .....	44
Post War	-	Hillfield Site .....	32
		Pen-yr-Erw Site .....	6
		Horeb Road Site .....	20
		Priory Street Site .....	54
		Gardde Site .....	14
		Flatlets Station Road .....	2
		Priory Street Site .....	2
		Bryntessog Site .....	6
		Porth-y-Castell Flats .....	8
		Parc Pendre Site (Houses) .....	61
		Parc Pendre Site (Flats) .....	30
		Ger-y-Gwendraeth (46 houses - 24 bungalows) .....	70
			- <u>TOTAL</u> - 349

2 Houses were completed by private enterprise during the year.

## FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1970

The numbers and categories of food premises in the area which are subject to the Regulations are:-

	<u>No.</u>
Butchers .....	3
Butter Packing Factory .....	1
Cafes and Restaurants .....	4
Factory Canteens .....	2
Fish Frying .....	1
General Stores (Grocers) .....	15
Ice Cream Manufacture .....	1
Licensed Premises .....	16
School Kitchens .....	1
Warehouses .....	1

## UNFIT FOOD

Certificates were issued for the voluntary surrender of 235 lbs. 13½ ozs. of Canned Foods, which, upon examination, were found to be unfit for human consumption.

Unfit Food is buried in line on the Council's Refuse Tip.

## MILK AND DAIRIES (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1959

## THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) REGULATIONS, 1963 and AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 1965

Samples of milk taken for Bacteriological examination during the year satisfied the prescribed tests and samples of Untreated Milk gave negative results to the Ring Test for Brucella abortus.

1. The first part of the document is a letter from the President of the United States to the Congress, dated January 3, 1862. It is a very important document, as it contains the President's views on the state of the Union and the progress of the war.

2. The second part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the War Department, dated January 10, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the military operations of the Army during the year 1861.

3. The third part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the Navy Department, dated January 15, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the naval operations of the Navy during the year 1861.

4. The fourth part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, dated January 20, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the operations of the Department during the year 1861.

5. The fifth part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the Department of the Treasury, dated January 25, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the operations of the Department during the year 1861.

6. The sixth part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the Department of the State, dated January 30, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the operations of the Department during the year 1861.

7. The seventh part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the Department of the War, dated February 5, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the operations of the Department during the year 1861.

8. The eighth part of the document is a report from the Secretary of the Department of the Navy, dated February 10, 1862. It contains a detailed account of the operations of the Department during the year 1861.

ICE-CREAM - THE ICE-CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT, ETC.) REGULATIONS, 1959

Samples of Ice-Cream submitted for examination were in GRADE I

ADULTERATION, ETC., OF FOOD.

No action was necessary under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

RODENT CONTROL (PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949)

The Council employ a Rodent Operator on two days per week for Rodent Control purposes in the Borough under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

In addition to dealing with notifications of infestation, routine inspections and treatments are made at the Council's Refuse Tip and other lands. The sewers are treated twice annually against rats.

Rodent Control work carried out during the year is indicated in the following table which is a copy of the Annual Report (Form I.R.31) for 1971 required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Properties other than Sewers	<u>Type of Property</u>	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	1,283	29
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notifications	58	3
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	41	3
(ii) Mice	19	2
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	493	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	113	-
(ii) Mice	72	-

I remain,

Your obedient Servant,

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D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health





# A N N E X

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1971 FOR THE BOROUGH OF KIDWELLY IN THE COUNTY OF CARMARTHENSHIRE

Prescribed particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961.

### PART I of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises (1)	No. on Register (2)	Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
1. Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	-	-	-	-
2. Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	9	4	-	-
3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	9	4	-	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found (If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more 'Cases').

Particulars (1)	No. of cases in which defects were found.		Referred		No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)					
Overcrowding (S.2)					
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)					
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)					
Sanitary conveniences (S.7)					
a. Insufficient					
b. Unsuitable or defective					
c. Not separate for sexes.					
Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to out-work)					
Total	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

### PART VIII of the Act.

Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

There are no Outworkers employed within the Borough.

